

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Dale A. Sather et al.  
Serial No.: 10/788,596  
Confirmation No.: 6817  
Filed: February 27, 2004  
For: SIMPLE AND DYNAMIC CONFIGURATION OF NETWORK  
DEVICES  
Examiner: D. K. Cao  
Art Unit: 2194

**Certificate of Electronic Filing Under 37 CFR 1.8**  
I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being transmitted via the Office electronic filing system in accordance with § 1.8(a)(4).

Dated: 3-2-10

Signature: Elaine Leahy (E. Leahy)

**AMENDMENT SUBMITTED WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Mail Stop RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action mailed December 7, 2009, and pursuant to the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) filed concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.